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Sir:

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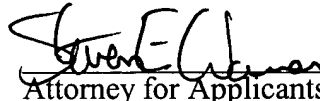
The following art was cited during prosecution of U.S. Patent No. 6,522,384, copy also enclosed. In this regard, U.S. Patent No. 4,690,528, No. 5,559,584 and No. 5,602,683, as well as Japanese patent document number 6-216000, cited during prosecution of that patent, are already of record in this application. Therefore, no additional copies of these documents are provided.

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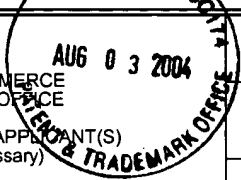


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